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SUBJECT: PARIS MATCH REQUEST FOR FORD STATEMENT

1. RAYMOND TOURNOUS, POLITICAL DIRECTOR OF MASS-CIRCULATION WEEKLY PARIS MATCH, HAS REQUESTED STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT FORD EXPLAINING TO FRENCH READERS IN ABOUT 300 WORDS WHAT HE MEANS WHEN HE SAYS AMERICA IS STILL NUMBER ONE POWER IN THE WORLD. HIS PRESENT PLAN IS TO RUN THIS STATEMENT IN BOLD TYPE ON ONE PAGE OF THE MAGAZINE IN THE MAY 17 ISSUE THAT CORRESPONDS TO GISCARD'S ARRIVAL IN THE U.S.
2. PREFERRED FORMAT WOULD BE SOMETHING THAT BEGINS "DEAR MR. TOURNOU, YOU HAVE ASKED ME TO EXPLAIN..." AND ENDS "YOURS SINCERELY, GERALD FORD." BUT OF COURSE TOURNOUX WOULD BE PLEASED WITH ANY OTHER FORMAT PRESIDENT WOULD BE WILLING TO DO.
3. TOURNOUX FURTHER SAYS THAT SHOULD PRESIDENT FORD BE UNABLE TO FURNISH STATEMENT TO PARIS MATCH READERS, HE WOULD BE MOST PLEASED TO HAVE SUCH A STATEMENT FROM SECRETARY KISSINGER OR SECRETARY RUMSFELD.
4. TOURNOUX IS WORKING AGAINST MAY 10 DEADLINE BUT WOULD FOR PLANNING PURPOSES, GREATLY APPRECIATE SOME WORLD

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BEFORE THEN ON WHETHER WE CAN COMPLY WITH HIS

REQUEST.

5. NEEDLESS TO SAY WE SUPPORT TOURNOUX' REQUEST.  
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